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In re Application of :
Katsumi Yoshizawa :
Application No. 09/727,633 : ON PETITION
Filed: December 1, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0681 :

This is a decision on the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, filed October 11, 2006.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

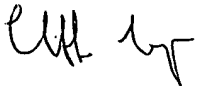
This application was held abandoned for failure to timely file a proper response to the final Office action, mailed April 20, 2005. This Notice set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No reply having been received, the application became abandoned on July 21, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on September 26, 2006.

Petitioner contends that he did timely file a proper response to the final Office action. In support, petitioner has included a copy of an RCE and an Amendment, bearing Express Mail mailing label no. EV 647102233US. In addition, petitioner has included a copy of the corresponding Express Mail mailing label, bearing a "date in" entry of July 19, 2005. Furthermore, Office records indicate that the fee for the RCE was received on July 19, 2005.

In view thereof, **THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT IS WITHDRAWN.**

The matter is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 3622 for consideration of the RCE and Amendment filed July 19, 2005 (copy supplied with the instant petition).

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cliff Congo', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Cliff Congo
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